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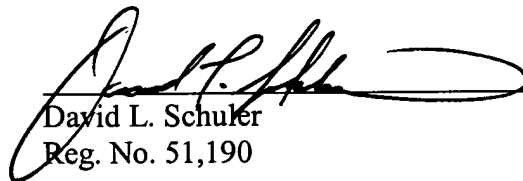
Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the action dated October 3, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1-42.

A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 to extend the time to respond to the final rejection for 3 month(s) to and including April 3, 2006 is enclosed.

A check in the amount of \$250 for the appeal fee is enclosed. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney's Docket No. 05689-017001.

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